

JUNE 2023 PROGRAMS

Programs are free and open to the public. **All programs meet at the Visitor Center.** Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Dress for the weather. **Severe weather cancels outdoor programs.** For program information, call (413) 534-1723.

OPEN DAILY

VISITOR CENTER, 12:00—4:00 p.m.

Located at 221 Appleton Street in Holyoke. Accessible by [PVRTA public transit](#). Free admission. Open year-round. Exhibits explore Holyoke's affluent industrial mill era. Park information, restrooms, drinking water, wheelchair accessible. Also visit the neighboring [Holyoke Merry-Go-Round](#), [Children's Museum at Holyoke](#), and [International Volleyball Hall of Fame](#).

DAILY, ONGOING

STORYWALK®

For young readers and their families. Combine a walk along the park's gentle pathways with reading a delightful children's book and you have a StoryWalk®! June's featured story is **"Trout Are Made of Trees"** by April Pulley Sayer.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Story Walk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Interpretive Services.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

KIDLEIDOSCOPE, SCHEDULE BY APPOINTMENT

For pre-school children and their caretakers. Each week explore a topic such as spiders, birds, trees, or worms. Program includes a story, activities and a craft. Activities are indoors and outdoors, weather permitting. **Call (413) 534-1723 to schedule your group.**

FRIDAYS EXCEPT JUNE 9

HOLYOKE REVITALIZATION TOUR, 9:00—11:00 a.m.

Open to all ages. Join the park interpreter to learn about revitalization efforts of Holyoke. Visit some businesses that have put life back into old mill buildings. **Meet at the Visitor Center.**

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

CANAL AND FISHWAY TOUR, 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

For teens and up. Two tours in one! Holyoke's canals were the key to this planned industrial city. Learn how they were constructed, how they work, and tour first and second level canals. End up at the Robert Barrett Fishway for a guided tour of HG&E's powerhouse and fish lift.

Limit 15 people. To register call or email: (413) 534-1723, or nancy.condon@mass.gov

MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON BACK



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COLOR A DUCK!, 12:00—4:00PM

To accompany the Junior Duck Stamp art display, come pick a duck picture to color and post on our river mural.

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 7, 14, 28

TREES TO THE RESCUE, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

For ages 12 and above. Trees cool hot cityscapes, filter polluted air, provide relaxing views, slow runoff and provide many more services. Come learn some of the beneficial traits of trees growing in Holyoke Heritage State Park. This leisurely stroll & stop will “leaf” you feeling “tree-mendous” about trees.

SUNDAYS

STOP BY SCIENCE, 1:00—3:00 p.m.

For kids and their families. Stop by the Park Interpreter’s picnic table to participate in science investigations. Look through microscopes. Make your own paper. Study ants and worms. Learn how a water turbine works. Each week learn something new, so come often. Rain cancels.

Find us at the picnic table along the sidewalk.

IN THE EXHIBIT SHOWROOM

JUNE 3 THROUGH JULY 30

MASSACHUSETTS JUNIOR DUCK STAMP ART 12:00—4:00 p.m.

The Exhibition Hall is ablaze with waterfowl paintings and drawings created by Massachusetts students grades K-12. Science and art combine, inspiring students to create beautiful artwork of birds in their natural environment. The art is part of a program in which students learn about importance of wetland conservation and wildlife habitat.

SPECIAL EVENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

PARTY IN THE PARK, 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

For all ages. Enjoy a day of family fun at Holyoke Heritage State Park. Unlimited Merry-Go-Round rides, free admission to the Children’s Museum & Volleyball Hall of Fame. Live entertainment, food truck, make-and-take shopping bag, live animal program and more! Rain date is 6/25.

Purchased tickets beforehand:

www.holyokemerrygoround.org/tickets, \$10 each or \$35 family 4-pack. Sponsored by Holyoke Merry-Go-Round.

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coming events